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MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY NEW YEAR

EVENTUALLY FOUR

Alumni Association Offers Scholarship Beginning With Next Fall Semester

The Northwestern State College Alumni Association will award a $300 scholarship to a graduating high school senior for the first time beginning with the fall semester of 1962.

The deadline for making application has been set for March 30, and applications may be secured from the office of Dean Dudley Fulton, Director of Student Personnel at NSC.

Each year one scholarship will be offered to a freshman student until a total of four is reached, with a member of each of the four classes attending Northwestern on the Alumni Scholarship.

The scholarship is being made available by the NSC Alumni Association to make it possible for a deserving high school graduate to attend the Natchitoches institution. Funds for support of the scholarship will be derived from profits of Alumni Association investments, according to Alumni Secretary Joe W. Webb.

The scholarships, when awarded, will be in the amount of $300 per year for a total of four years or eight semesters.

Scholarship applications will be acted upon by a board composed of the following membership: president of the NSC student body, one faculty member, two members of the Alumni Board of Directors, and the secretary of the Alumni Association. To be eligible for a scholarship the applicant must be a graduate of a high school in the State of Louisiana and have an over-all average of "B" in all high school work pursued. Candidates for the scholarship must take a battery of tests which will be administered by the NSC Testing Bureau. The rule further stipulates that any girl making application for the scholarship must be unmarried.

Application blanks must be completed and filed in the Office of Student Relations no later than March 30. Applications must be accompanied by high school transcripts of credits and grades including those for the first half of the spring semester. Also, three letters of recommendation must accompany the application.

Recipient of the scholarship will receive the award during the graduation exercises of his or her high school, and scholarships must be put into use the following fall semester. The rules governing the administration of the scholarship permit, under extenuating circumstances, leave of absence up to one year.

The scholarship may be canceled if the student fails to maintain a grade average of "B" for the first year and each semester thereafter while attending Northwestern, is guilty of conduct unbecoming a student, exceeds specified length of leave or changes program of study without approval of the scholarship committee, or if a female marries while attending school. Once the scholarship is canceled, a student may not reapply for scholarship assistance.

To NSC Alumni and Friends:

ONCE AGAIN, *MERRY CHRISTMAS!*

THIS OLD REFRAIN CAN HAVE ESPECIAL MEANING FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE WESTERN WORLD IN 1961 IF WE WILL BUT ATTEMPT TO PLUMB THE DEPTHS OF ITS MEANING.

THE TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS IS LIMITLESS IN ITS CAPACITY TO GENERATE INSPIRATION AND ACTION. MAY EACH MEMBER OF THE NSC COMMUNITY, ON CAMPUS AND BEYOND, ENJOY THE RICHNESS OF THIS UNIQUE DAY.

SINCERELY,

John S. Kyser

President

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DR. JOHN M. FOOTE of Baton Rouge is pictured as he hands President John S. Kyser a check, the first payment on a pledge to the NSC Faundation. The picture was made at a recent meeting of the Baton Rouge unit.

President O. M. Lay Issues Statement

I thank you, Alumni of Northwestern State College. It is, indeed, an honor to serve as President of the Alumni Association. I appreciate the honor that you have conferred upon me in electing me as your president and am grateful for your expression of confidence. I trust that I may merit this confidence at all times. I am aware of the duties and responsibilities that I am to assume, and with your continued support, which I covet and expect, the Association will continue to make progress.

I pledge to do all in my power to help promote those activities that will benefit Northwestern, and I solicit your cooperation in carrying out such activities. If you have suggestions for improving any service that the Association renders, please let me have those suggestions. I shall be glad to hear from you. My address is 324 Girod Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana, and my telephone number is 3021.

Sincerely,
O. M. Lay

RAY H. WINN, B.A. '36, was recently selected by the N. S. C. Alumni Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of Charles Castaing, representing District 8. Winn is vice-president and member of the board of directors of Geo. H. Lehleitner & Co., Inc., of New Orleans. His son, Jerry, is a senior at N. S. C. Mrs. Winn, the former Marguerite Bilbray, of Many, also attended N. S. C.

LETTERS

2627 Dillard St.
Shreveport, La.

Mr. Joe W. Webb
Sec'y, Alumni, NSC

I am enclosing a check for $5.00 as a memorial contribution in memory of my very dear former teacher, Miss Gussie Nelken. I was in her class during my last year in the old "Model School." I graduated in 1908, the last class under Mr. Caldwell.

I had planned to attend homecoming in 1958, but illness prevented me from enjoying that happy reunion. Now, I am almost blind. Clara Alma Brian

A GRADUATE of 1940, Hugh N. Carter, journeyed from Fresno, California, to attend the annual Homecoming activities

AT LTA MEETING

N'West Club Hosts Shreveport Coffee

The Northwest Louisiana Alumni Club had charge of the coffee for alumni attending the Louisiana Teachers Association in Shreveport recently. Mrs. Charles Hall was general chairman, ably assisted by her husband, former Alumni President Charles T. Hall. Approximately 450 alumni and friends dropped in during the day, visiting and enjoying an occasion which was similar to a homecoming to new and old grads alike.

Assisting Mrs. Hall in the courtesies of the day were the following alumnae: Mrs. B. P. Causey (Margaret Hicks), Mrs. J. R. Weber (Gervis Malone), Mrs. H. L. Joyner (Virginia Dupree), Miss Mary Ferguson, Miss Patricia Gladden, Mrs. Patricia McGraw Pickering, Mrs. Crowell Eddy (Julienne David), and Mrs. Dorothy DeLoach Barnard. Also assisting was Mrs. Frank Rodie, a friend of Northwestern State College.

Cupid's Doings

Miss JERRY LEE LASITER, BS in Nursing, '61, and Ronny Joe Hampton were married in the Queensborough Baptist Church in Shreveport, Saturday, Sept. 2. They will make their home in College Station, Texas, where Hampton will continue his studies at Texas A. & M.

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Also on Sept. 2, Miss MELINDA ANNE ALLUMS, BS '61, and BOBBY LEE SLACK, NSC senior, were united in marriage in the First Baptist Church of Cotton Valley. The couple lives in Vetstown and Bobby continues his college career, while Anne is employed as secretary at the First Baptist Church.

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Miss MARTHA ANN CARROLL, BA '59, and Joe Paul May spoke their wedding vows in the Cedar Grove Methodist Church of Shreveport. They reside on Oak Crest Drive in Lafayette, where May is head track coach at USL.

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The Trinity Presbyterian Church in Jonesville was the scene of the wedding of two members of the summer, 1961, graduating class of NSC, Miss PATSY JEAN BARNES and DONALD EDWARD SMITH.

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The wedding of Miss NORMA VILLAMIZAR, BS in Nursing, '60, and Dr. Charles R. Oberst was solemnized Sept. 16 in the Church of the Immaculate Conception of Natchitoches.

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The St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria was the scene of the wedding of Miss Nora Lee Mason and RONALD CLIFTON BONIAL, BS '55. They live in Leesville, where Mr. Bonial teaches mathematics at Leesville High School.

BORN JUNE 6, weighing 8 lbs., wa Constance Lynn Rogers, daughter of M and Mrs. Elgie Rogers, of Shreveport.

RECEIVING AWARDS as "Outstanding Man of the Year" and "Outstanding Woman of the Year" at the Natchitoches Parish Chamber of Commerce banquet in November were Dr. Eugene P. Watson and Mrs. Morris Cohen. Bath NSC graduates, Dr. Watson is head librarian at Northwestern, and Mrs. Cohen (Lillian Bell) is secretary in the Athletic Department.

COEDS OF THE EARLY '20's posed for this picture on the old Normal campus approximately 40 years ago. All of the young ladies have been identified with the exception of the first in the middle row. At the bottom are, left to right: Hazel Hewett and Reppy Rhodes. Mamie Williams, deceased, is on the right in the second row, and from the top in stairstep fashion are: Ouida Smith, Ruth Bowden Weber, Agnes Hanley Coryell, and Nina Rust Fraser, Miss Rhodes has entered her 30th consecutive year of teaching at Byrd High School; Miss Smith is assistant to the Director of Civil Service of Louisiana; Mrs. Weber is a house director at N. S. C.; Mrs. Fraser is a teacher at Lanier High School, Montgomery, Alabama; Mrs. Coryell is a housewife in Tulsa, Oklahoma. We would appreciate information concerning other members of the group.

KENNETH HUGH WIGGINS, son of Lennie Faye (Davis), BS '59, and Carlyle Wiggins, BS, '53. They are living in Natchitaches, where Lennie teaches in the Parish and Carlyle commutes to Fort Polk, where he is employed as director of arts and crafts.

MISS EARLINE DeMOSS, '37, a first grade teacher in the Plain Dealing Elementary School, Bossier Parish, has been chosen to be included in the 1961 edition of "Who's Who in American Education."

COL. GEORGE GIBBENS appears in this picture, which was taken by "Bama" Wright at the time Gibbens was organizing a Reserve Flight unit in Guin, Ala., "Bama's" home-town. George is teaching at Florence State Teachers College, Florence, Ala.

CHARLES LOUIS HAMMONS, born March 24, is the son of 1 Lt. (BS '60) and Mrs. Jim Hammons (Jerelyn Ann Cook, nursing student '58-'59), of Cleburne, Tex.

Look Who's Here!

Born October 22, and weighing 8 lbs., 1½ ozs., was Jay Keith, the second child and first son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith A. Ables (BARBARA JEAN "PETE" EDWARDS, BA '54), of 515 Westside Court, Pasadena, Texas.

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Mr. and Mrs. Larry G. Iles (LOIS CHRISTIAN, '57) announce the arrival of Susan Lynn, Oct. 8, weighing 8 lbs., 1 oz.

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Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES EDWIN DRANGUET, Jr., announce the arrival of Madeline Conn, who weighed in at 6 lbs., 13 ozs. October 20 was the date. Charles (BS '61) is employed at the new Exchange Bank Drive-In Branch in the Broadmoor Shopping Center in Natchitoches.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donald Warner (BARBARA ANN GRESHAM, '58) announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Danna Leigh, on Oct. 17, 1961, in Monroe.

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Mr. and Mrs. John N. Giaroli (CLARA NELL HAMILTON, BS Nursing '57), of Memphis, Tenn., announce the birth of a son weighing 7 lbs., 10 ozs., Sept. 20.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Chubbock (MILDRED ELIZABETH TIFFELS, '57) of Baton Rouge, announce the arrival of James August, Oct. 16, weighing 8 lbs., 11 ozs.

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Mr. and Mrs. MAHLON R. MURPHY, '61 of Colfax, are the proud parents of a daughter, Deorah Lynn, born Oct. 2, weighing 7 lbs., 2 ozs.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob McBride (HILDA SMITH McBRIDE, 3-year Nursing, '60) are the proud parents of David Michael, born Oct. 11, weighing 6 lbs., 10 ozs.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wayne B. Melder (LOUVESTA PRESLEY, BS '54, MS '57) are the parents of a son, Dwayne Byron, born June 13, weighing 8 lbs., 3½ ozs. Melder is employed by McDowell & Cook Drilling Co., Vivian, and Mrs. Melder teaches home economics in the North Caddo High School.

MRS. SHELBY JACKSON (Phoebe Steele, '23) and Mrs. R. E. Scott (Hurl Cotner, '19) seem to be having a good time at the Baton Rouge meeting.

ALUMNI HERE N' THERE

JOHN MORROW, BS '60 and MA '61, has been employed by Boeing Aircraft Corporation in Wichita, Kansas.

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JOHN L. McCONNELL, BA '49, an Alexandria businessman and member of the N. S. C. Alumni Board, served as chairman of the 1961 Christmas Seal drive in Rapides Parish.

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MRS. T. J. PHILLIPS (Joy Pickett), BA '48, who has been teaching in Florien, is now living in Many and has requested that the Alumni Columns be sent to her new address.

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MRS. KATHARINE PETERS, BS '41, the former Katharine Thorpe of Mansfield, is teaching at Shepherd Junior High School, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

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B. B. MENDOZA, BA '26, is teaching in the Robert E. Lee School, Jacksonville, Florida.

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A. A. MENDOZA, BA '26, is now residing in Metairie. We would like A. A. to contact us, since we have not heard from him in quite a while.

Moody Named New Research Center Head

The opening of the newly-established Center for Experimental Research and Development in Learning and Teaching at Northwestern State College is the result of a long-recognized need for experimentation in the field.

In action described by one board member as "the most important thing we have done since I have been on the board," the Louisiana State Board of Education, at its Shreveport meeting on October 21, authorized the establishment of the Center.

Northwestern President John S. Kyser has announced the appointment of Dr. Caesar B. Moody, professor of education and psychology, to fill the post of director of the Center.

Among the initial responsibilities of the director will be the identification of the most-needed research at this time, the exploration of both public and private sources of financial aid for research projects, the development of a projected program of research, the determination of future staff needs, and the initiation of appropriate research projects during the 1961-62 academic year.

Dr. Moody is well equipped by professional preparation and experience to serve as the Research Center's first director. As a member of the faculty at Northwestern for the past five years he has demonstrated a high level of ability in instruction and in guiding studies of some of the newer developments in instructional practices.

HENNIGAN

TOLAR

Two Former Northwestern Gridders Set Records With Houston Oilers

Two "Charlies" are establishing a grid reputation with the Houston Oilers this season, and one is likely to be selected as the professional football player of the year.

Charlie "The Horse" Hennigan, NSC's former star, broke the pro-record established by National Football League player Elroy Hirsch of the Los Angeles Rams in 1951 Sunday, Dec. 3, when his pass reception total reached 1540 yards.

Hennigan has been one of the leading pass receivers of both leagues and a favorite target of Houston quarterback George Blanda, who is setting quite a few records of his own.

Hennigan was named to the Associated Press coaches' poll eleven in 1957 at a halfback spot, along with Charlie Tolar, who is also aiding the Houston Oiler cause with clutch running. Hennigan, in 1957, had 12 pass receptions for 143 yards as a halfback.

He was a member of Coach Walter Ledet's track squad and was co-captain in 1957, when he ran the 440 in 47.2 seconds, second to the fastest time for the distance in the entire nation that year, 46.9.

Tolar, "Tank" to grid followers of NSC, established several records as a fullback at NSC. Winding up his collegiate grid career in 1958, he scored 79 points, caught eight passes for 107 yards, gained 713 yards on 90 carries, had 88 yards in punt returns and 87 in kickoff returns. He had a total offense record of 820 yards, 91.1 per game. He's used by the Oilers primarily for short yardage for first downs and as a topnotch blocker.

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